

Reply under 37 C.F.R. 1.116 Expedited Procedure Examining Group 1714.

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: )  
Georges Marcel Victor Thielen )  
For: TIRE WITH COMPONENT OF )  
RUBBER COMPOSITION COMPRISED OF )  
SILICA REINFORCEMENT AND )  
EMULSION POLYMERIZATION DERIVED )  
TERPOLYMER RUBBER OF DIENE/VINYL )  
AROMATIC COMPOUND WHICH )  
CONTAINS PENDANT HYDROXYL )  
GROUPS )  
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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE AFTER FINAL REJECTION**

Dear Sir:

In response to the Examiner's Final Official Action dated March 14, 2006, please  
make the following amendments in order to more particularly point out and distinctly claim  
the Applicant's invention.